



TOWN OF SURFSIDE, FLORIDA
Town Commission Meeting
9293 Harding Avenue
Surfside, FL 33154
Tuesday, March 25, 2008
7:00 p.m.

Mayor Charles W. Burkett
Commissioner Elizabeth Calderon
Commissioner Marc Imberman
Commissioner Steve Levine
Commissioner Howard S. Weinberg

Town Manager Pam Brangaccio
Town Attorney Lynn M. Dannheisser
Town Clerk Beatris M. Arguelles, CMC

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

On Tuesday, March 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m., the Town of Surfside Commission met in Special Session in the Commission Chambers at Town Hall at 9293 Harding Avenue in Surfside.

1. OPENING/CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Charles Burkett called the meeting to order at 7:12 p.m. In addition to the Mayor, the following Commissioners were present: Commissioner Elizabeth Calderon, Commissioner Marc Imberman, Commissioner Steven Levine and Commissioner Howard Weinberg. Also present were: Town Manager Pam Brangaccio, Town Attorney Lynn Dannheisser, Police Chief Dave Allen and Town Clerk Beatris Arguelles.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Police Chief Dave Allen led the pledge.

4. APPOINTMENT OF A TOWN MANAGER: Mayor Burkett reviewed the process which involved the appointment of a Blue Ribbon Panel that whittled down 25 applications for the position to four finalists for consideration by the Commission. The four finalists were Bud Bentley, Gary Word, Jorge Vera and Greg Tindle.. The Mayor announced that the Commission members met individually with each of the candidates for the position of Town Manager and that a public "meet and greet" with the candidates was held earlier in the day. As a result of the interviews, this meeting was called in order for the Commission to appoint a Town Manager. The Mayor passed the gavel to Commissioner Weinberg in order to make a motion.

Having passed the gavel, Mayor Burkett moved to appoint Garry L. Word as Town Manager. Commissioner Marc Imberman seconded the motion. Brief discussion ensued regarding Mr. Word's experience and qualifications. Following the Commission's comments, Commissioner Weinberg opened the floor for comments from the public at which time Heather Oppenheimer expressed agreement with the selection of Gary Word for the position. The question was called. The motion to appoint Gary Word to the position of Town Manager carried unanimously.

5. ELECTION OF A VICE MAYOR: Commissioner Levine moved to nominate Howard Weinberg. Commissioner Calderon seconded the nomination. Commissioner Weinberg expressed appreciation for the nomination but suggested the position be rotating amongst the commissioners. He then moved to nominate Marc Imberman as vice Mayor. Brief discussion ensued which included discussion regarding appointment of the League of Cities Representative. Subsequently, the nominations were withdrawn and a new motion to Nominate Marc Imberman as Vice Mayor and Howard Weinberg as the League of Cities Representative was made. The

motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

6. REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS AND COMMISSION LIAISON TO PLANNING AND ZONING BOARD: Vice Mayor Imberman moved to re-appoint the current members of the P&Z Board. Commissioner Levine Seconded the motion. Commissioner Calderon announced that she would like to appoint a different member at the next meeting. The Commission concurred.

Vice Mayor Imberman moved to appoint Commissioner Calderon as the Liaison to the Planning and Zoning Board. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Levine and carried unanimously.

7. ADJOURNMENT: The Meeting adjourned at 7:54 p.m. following a motion to adjourn by Vice Mayor Imberman seconded by Commissioner Levine.

Accepted this _____ day of _____, 2008

Attest:

Charles W. Burkett, Mayor

Beatris M. Arguelles, Town Clerk

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